

**BEFORE**  
**THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA**  
**DOCKET NO. 2017-381-A**

**In Re: The Impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs )**  
**Act on South Carolina Utilities )**  
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**PETITION TO INTERVENE**  
**BY**  
**DAUFUSKIE ISLAND UTILITY COMPANY, INC.**

Daufuskie Island Utility Company, Inc. ("DIUC") hereby petitions the Commission to intervene as a party of record in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition, DIUC offers the following:

1. DIUC owns and operates a water and wastewater utility located on Daufuskie Island, in Beaufort County, South Carolina.
2. As authorized by this Commission, DIUC provides water and wastewater services to customers within its service area on Daufuskie Island.
3. On December 28, 2017, the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") petitioned this Commission to order all South Carolina utilities to report to the Commission regarding the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on utility operations.
4. The petition requests relief with potentially serious consequences for regulated utilities. ORS has requested the Commission require a report from each regulated utility and further seeks to establish new procedures for changing utility rates to reflect unspecified impacts of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

5. The Commission established this Docket in response to the December 28, 2017, petition by ORS.
6. Via Directive 2018-26 filed in this Docket on January 10, 2018, the Commission set a two-week deadline (January 24, 2018) for comments from regulated utility companies like DIUC regarding the timing and format of reports to be required. This is the only pending deadline.
7. DIUC intends to provide comments pursuant to Directive 2018-26 and further seeks an opportunity to be heard regarding the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act upon DIUC.
8. DIUC has not yet had sufficient time to develop specific positions regarding all the matters that will be involved in this Docket.
9. This Petition to Intervene is necessary and justified because no other party can adequately represent DIUC's interests in this matter.
10. Because the Docket was only recently established, this Petition to Intervene is timely and no other party will be prejudiced should the Commission grant the same.
11. Granting DIUC's Petition to Intervene will aid the Commission in a full and fair resolution of the issues raised in this proceeding.
12. Granting DIUC's Petition to Intervene will not cause any delay in these proceedings.

WHEREFORE, DIUC respectfully requests the Commission enter an order granting this Petition to Intervene allow DIUC to be heard on any proposed reporting requirements or other responses to the Tax Cut and Jobs Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day a copy of the Petition to Intervene by Daufuskie Island Utility Company, Inc. via first class mail, postage pre-paid, to the persons named below at the addresses set forth below:

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